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SUBJ: UN AD HOC COMITE ON TERRORISM

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1. SECOND MEETING OF 35 NATION AD HOC COMITE ON INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM JULY 17 SELECTED PANAMANIAN PERMREP BOYD AS CHAIRMAN BY ACCLAMATION. BOYD'S ELECTION RESULT OF A) NON-ALIGNED OPPOSITION TO WERNERN EUROPEAN (TURKISH) CANADIDATE, AND PREFERENCE FOR EITHER VENEZUELA OR PANAMA (REFTEL) N B) UNWILLINGNESS OF VENEZUELA TO BECOME COMITE OFFICER, C) BOYD'S AGREEMENT TO SERVE IF CHOSEN UNANIMOUSLY AND D) UNABIALABILITY OF ANY OTHER CANADIDATE. BOYD MADE SHORT ACCEPTANCE SPEECH DEPLORING INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM, REVIEWING LAST FALL'S UNGA RES ON ISSUE AND EXPRESSING HOPE THAT COMITE WOULD TAKE CONSTRUCTIVE ACTION. BOYD THEN ADJOURNED MEETING TO PERMIT FURTHER CONSULATTIONS WITH REGARD TO SELECTION OF OTHER COMITE OFFICERS.

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WM NON-ALIGNED SUGGESTING THREE VICE PRESIDENTS (HUNGARY,

INDIA AND ONE WEO), AND ZAIRE AS REAPPORTEUR. WEO'S , WITH OUR ENCOURAGEMENT, BEGINNING TO VIEW RAPPORTEUR POST AS IMPORTANT ONE TO KEEP IN WEO HANDS OR RELINQUISH IN EXCHANGE FOR CONSESSIONS ON ORGANIZATION OF WORK. AFTER CONSULTATIONS JULY 18, WEO'S WILL PROBABLY DECIDE TO FOLLOW THIS TACTIC. NO WEO WILLING SO FAR TO VOLUNTEER FOR VICE PRESIDENCY.

4. NEXT MEETING OF COMITE SCHEDULED FOR AFTERNOON JULY 18. BOYD TOLD SMALL GROUP INCLUDING MISOFF THAT HE FAVORS ESTABLISHMENT OF TWO DISTINCT SUB-COMITES TO HANDLE CAUSES AND MEASURES SEPARATELY AND IS THINKING OF SUB-COMITES WITH REDUCED MEMBERSHIP. STILL UNCLEAR WHETHER NON-ALIGNED WOULD AGREE TO SUCH ORGANIZATION OF WORK. IN CASE THEY DO, WEO'S PLANNING TO SUGGEST TO BOYD THAT IN ORDER TO AVOID DRAWN OUT HAGGLING OVER COMPOSITION OF SUB-COMITES, HE EMBRACE IDEA OF TWO SUB-COMITES OF THE WHOLE.

4. COMMENT: IN HIS COMMENTS BOTH ON AND OFF THE FLOOR, BOYD TAKING VERY POSITIVE APPROACH TO COMITE'S WORK AND APPEARS ANXIOUS TO HELP REFURBISH HIS REPUTATION HERE BY PLAYING STATESMANLIKE ROLE. WE ARE IN CLOSE TOUCH WITH HIM AND WE HAVE OUR FINGERS CROSSED.

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